Reply of Government.—The member's attention is drawn to the existing orders on the subject. The existing arrangement requires no modification as the supply in the dry months is too little to serve the purpose.

Subject No. 422.

Defining the powers of the Members of the Girls' School Committee at T. Narsipur.

Mr. Krishna Rao.

Summary of Representation.—The powers of the members of the Girls' School Committee at T. Narsipur may be kindly defined. They cannot grant leave to teachers for short periods, much less to recommend persons to act when long leave is applied for. These powers may be given to them as a sort of encouragement for the disinterested work they do to the school. Of late, there has been some correspondence with the Inspector General of Education on this matter. No final decision has yet been announced.

Withdrawn.

Subject No. 423.

The Kapila to be bridged somewhere between Gargeswari and Kiragasur.

Mr. Krishna Rao.

Summary of Representation.—Much obstruction exists for passenger and goods traffic owing to the floods in the Cauvery and Kapila rivers. Sometimes the mails are also delayed. The river may be bridged at some point between Gargeswari and Kiragasur in view to afford facilities for traffic and to avoid danger to life, of which there have been a few cases very recently.

Reply of Government.—This question was laid once before Government in 1901; but as there are other bridges in the Province requiring first attention this should lie over for the present.

Subject No. 424.

Extension of the Hullahalli channel.

Mr. Krishna Rao.

Summary of Representation.—The Hullahalli south channel now runs as far as Danaikanapura, a distance of 4 miles from T. Narsipur. It may be extended further. If that cannot be done, the Raja-Parameswari channel may be extended futher by constructing an aqueduct as in the case of Seringapatam Bangar Doddi channel. This project if carried out, will increase wet cultivation and will be a crowning act of grace to the raiyats.

Reply of Government.—The question of the extension of this channel cannot be taken up, until all the lands commanded by the present channel are brought under wet cultivation. The work has however been entered in the Famine Relief programme and is under investigation.

Subject No. 425.

Water-supply to Palhalli.

Mr. Ankappa.

Summary of Representation.—Palhalli is a big village containing a population of 2,500 persons of both sexes. The scarcity of drinking water is much felt. The Cauvery water which is now being supplied through the water works store on the 5th mile of Devaraya nala, runs to waste. Pray that the same may be arrested and let in small nalas excavated for the purpose from the $8\frac{1}{4}$ mile of the nala to supply water to the Palhalli village, reservoirs being built on the four sides of the village.

Reply of Government.—Let the Municipality apply with offer of money and the matter will receive attention.

Subject No. 426.

Repairs to the Virjanadi channel.

Mr. Ankappa.

Summary of Discussion.—According to the Virjanadi channel statement the level of the channel is low. Repairs to the channel from the beginning to the tail end are therefore needed. The raiyats owning lands below the channel could not irrigate their lands for want of full supply of water. Pray that steps may be taken to repair the channel early.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

Subject No. 427.

Contracts for annual repairs of channels.

Mr. Ankappa.

Summary of Representation.—According to Government orders, the contract for the annual repairs of channels should be given to the raiyats of villages through which the channel runs. The contract is given to non-agriculturists. These people do not clear the weeds in a satisfactory manner. It is therefore prayed that such contracts may be always given to the raiyats owning lands under the nala.

Withdrawn.

Subject No. 428.

Repairing the Thalekere Hebballa.

Mr. Thimmanaiya.

Summary of Representation.—The Thalekere Hebballa situated on the borders of the Nagamangala Taluk and French Rocks Sub-Taluk was feeding the Thonnur tank and the surplus water of this tank was not only filling the Hirode tank but was also supplying water to the lands below the tank and the people of Hirode for drinking purposes. Some 8 or 10 years ago a dam was thrown across the Hebballa near Melkote and the water diverted to the Dalvoy tank, thus cutting off the supply of water to Thonnur and Hirode tanks.

The people of Hirode have no drinking water reservoir. Pray that the dam thrown across the Thalekere-Hebballa may be removed and arrangements may be made to feed the Thonnur and Hirode tanks. If this is not feasible, request that the nala drawn from the Hemagiri anikat which is now out of order may be kindly repaired thereby ensuring a full supply of water to both the Thonnur and Hirode tanks.

Reply of Government.—Will be investigated in the Public Works Department.

Subject No. 429.

Construction of an anikat and "Kolavoy" to the Bangar Doddi nala.

Mr. T. Venkataramanasetti.

Summary of Representation.—The Bangar Doddi nala has no proper anikat nor "kolavoys" built near its starting point. Water is left to flow in the nala by strengthening the present stone work with turf which gets washed off by the action of water with the result that the nala water is wasted to the prejudice of irrigation. It is therefore prayed that the Bangar Doddi nala may be provided with an anikat and "kolavoys."

Reply of Government.—Will be referred to the Chief Engineer.